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**Beneficiaries of U.S.-Exchange Programs to Leave Soon**

**Port Louis, July 30, 2013:** Keshav Sauba has qualified to participate in the *Fulbright Junior Staff Development (JSD) Program* and Martine Hennequin for the *Hubert H. Humphrey Fellowship Program*. They will both be leaving for the U.S. in the coming days.

Keshav Sauba will be studying for a Master of Science in Water Resources Engineering at the College of Environmental Science and Forestry, State University of New York. Mr. Sauba is departing Mauritius on August 11. He is scheduled to attend Gateway Orientation at the University of Nevada from August 12-16 before joining his campus in New York.

Martine Hennequin is the selected candidate for the *Hubert H. Humphrey Fellowship Program*. She was admitted at Virginia Commonwealth University where she will study Substance Abuse Education, Treatment and Prevention for the next ten months. As well as being a qualified clinical psychologist and person-centered psychotherapist, Martine Hennequin is a former badminton player, having played at international level for several years and having participated at two editions of Olympic Games (Barcelona 92 and Atlanta 96, under her maiden name, Martine de Souza). She was awarded Most Promising Sportswoman in Mauritius, and Best Sportswoman for years 1993 and 2003. She was ranked N°1 in Africa in Badminton for several years as well. Her highest world ranking was 64 (in 1996). When she applied for the fellowship, she was working in Mauritius prisons as a Psychologist and Therapy Coordinator for NGO Kinouété.

The *Fulbright Program* is designed to increase mutual understanding between the people of the United States and the people of other countries. Every year, the U.S. Embassy nominates three Mauritians for the *Fulbright JSD Program* which caters for Master's or Ph.D. degree or one year of graduate study for non-degree purposes. Selected candidates are funded by the *Fulbright Program* for a maximum of two years. The *Hubert H. Humphrey Fellowship Program* provides ten months of non-degree academic study and related professional experiences in the United States. Humphrey fellows are selected based on their potential for leadership and their commitment to public service.

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